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**COVER NOTE**

**12.1 Recommendation to the European eHealth Policy by the Bertelsmann Foundation**

**1. Issue at stake**

The Bertelsmann Foundation reflects as “Think & Do Tank” in 13 programs on various societal aspects (education, economics, and civil society, healthcare)

In the program “Improving Healthcare – Informing patients” the main focus is on developing ideas, supporting practical solutions, and providing empirical insights for a citizen-oriented healthcare delivery.

The Digital Patient project specifically develops studies, strategic action plans and forums for debate to help promote E-Health in service to healthcare

**2. Summary**

In the study #SmartHealthSystems the Bertelsmann Foundation has compared 17 countries with regard to their digital health readiness.

In the current project Bertelsmann Foundation has looked at the European eHealth strategy and state of play in order to develop recommendations for policy makers.

**3. Format of procedure in the meeting**

For information.